PORM PTO-1083 PATENT Case Docket No. ASA-902-02 3 0 2003 M. MORITA et al RE application of Group Art Unit: Serial No.: 10/649,662 Examiner: Filed: August 28, 2003 For: SHEET HANDLING SYSTEM **Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231 Sir: Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application. Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted. A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed. No additional fee is required. The fee has been calculated as shown below: SMALL ENTITY OR Additional Fee Rate 9 18 42 84

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